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Captains Report

VVGA State Championship Belvoir Park Golf Club. November 24th & 25th, 2025

One hundred and eleven veteran golfers assembled at Belvoir Park golf club on Monday, 24th of November to compete for the VVGA State Championship.

The unusually dry spring was evident as the course was particularly dry for this time of the year.

Recently appointed professional, Jacob Boyce had the entries and draw under control and the event committee had prepared exceptionally well to make sure the event would run seamlessly; and it certainly did.

Following a welcome by President Ern Kraulis, Belvoir Park G.C. Lady Captain Debbie Lomas briefed the veterans on local rules before sending the field out for the shotgun start at 11:00am.

Players enjoyed a nutritious lunch during their round that had been prepared and collected at registration. The water was certainly appreciated as the temperature rose to 32 degrees early in the afternoon.

At the conclusion of play, the veterans were treated to an exceptionally generous afternoon tea. The ball run down and nearest the pins were awarded to conclude the golfing component of day one.

Many of the golfers enjoyed reminiscing on the days play over dinner at the Golden Square Hotel who was a sponsor of the event.

Day one prizes were awarded to:

Congratulations to James Hardie who was rewarded for the best Stableford score of 44 points on day one.

Day 1 Ntp's

Hole 3: Ronald Oakley
Hole 5: Phillip Adams
Hole 8: Barry Atkins
Hole 11: Jack Hewitt (Hole in one)
Hole 16: Ross Stevens

25%of the field received a ball in the rundown.

Tuesdays cooler temperature was more conducive to good golf. 27 degrees and a stiff breeze gave no one any excuses. The 9:00am shotgun start took place after golfers had enjoyed a bacon and egg breakfast roll cooked by a team of Belvoir Park volunteers. Thank you to all involved.

Play progressed at a satisfactory pace allowing golfers to return to the clubhouse and reflect on their game while enjoying a lovely cold meet and salad lunch and desert washed down by some chilled refreshments.

Prior to presentations, President Ern Kraulis presented the Perry Fletcher award to Northern zone stalwart Ray Henshaw from Northern District in recognition of his long service to veterans golf.

Day 2 results were:

Congratulations to Elizabeth Novotny who was rewarded for the best Stableford score of 46 points on day two.

Day 2 Ntp's

Hole 3: Brian Lindsay
Hole 5: Graeme Smith
Hole 8: Kevin Mcfarlane
Hole 11: Jeremy Gray
Hole 16: Ronald Oakley

25%of the field received a ball in the rundown.

Jack Hewitt was presented with his ball mounted in a Hole in One trophy for his achievement on Monday.

36 Hole results:

Stableford Grade Championship

A Grade 1 st :	Denis Cooper	76 Stableford points
A Grade 2 nd :	Jeffrey Costin	75 Stableford points
A Grade 3 rd :	Jack Hewitt	74 Stableford points
B Grade 1 st :	Dennis Anthony	75 Stableford points
B Grade 2 nd :	Barry Atkins	70 Stableford points
B Grade 3 rd :	Paul Phillips	69 Stableford points
C Grade 1 st :	Ronald Lake	82 Stableford points
C Grade 2 nd :	Nicholas Moschis	79 Stableford points
C Grade 3 rd :	James Hardie	78 Stableford points

Gross Championship

1 st Peter Hoskin	154
2 nd David Baker	160

Congratulations Peter Hoskin, the 2025 VVGA State Champion.

President Ern Kraulis presented an appreciation plaque to Belvoir Park Golf Club Secretary, Greg Martin thanking him and his team for work that they had put into hosting the event. Greg went on to thank his team and sponsor St Ann's winery for their sponsorship.

I would like to thank VVGA Vice - President Geoff Cook and Loddon district councillor Brian Smith for their work convening the planning meetings that ensured that the event was the success that it was.

Pete Turner
VVGA Captain